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Read each paragraph and choose the main idea.

I have a dog named Boots. I taught him lots of tricks. When I tell him to, Boots will sit or lie down. He can also wave his paw to greet people. When I say, "Dance, Boots", he will stand up on two legs and walk. I don't know of many dogs that can do such amazing tricks.

The main idea of this paragraph is:

- a.** Boots is my dog.
- b.** Boots can sit.
- c.** Boots is very smart.
- d.** Most dogs can't dance.

Peter's parents bought a new carpet for the living room. Now, he has to take his shoes off when he enters the house. He's also not allowed to eat or drink in the living room any more. Peter's furry dog isn't allowed to play ball in there either. When his parents got the new carpet, there were lots of new rules so the new carpet stays clean.

The main idea of this paragraph is:

- a.** Peter cannot go in the living room.
- b.** Peter's parents don't like the carpet.
- c.** Peter likes to make a mess.
- d.** Peter's parents made new rules.